

OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN EARL BLUMENAUER
APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FORM
FISCAL YEAR 2011

Instructions

1. Please complete the entire form. **All fields are required.**
2. Please do not **bold**, underline, or *italicize* responses.
3. Request forms must be submitted as a Word document.
4. All completed request forms and any supplemental materials must be submitted via email to:
Appropriations.Blumenauer@mail.house.gov
5. Please do not send more than one request per email.
6. All completed request forms must be submitted no later than **Friday, February 26, 2010.**
7. If you do not receive an email confirming receipt of your request within 48 hours of submission, please contact Stephanie Cappa in Congressman Blumenauer's Washington, D.C. office at 202-225-4811.

PLEASE NOTE: All appropriations requests submitted to Congressman Blumenauer's office will be made public on his website, as required by the House Committee on Appropriations.

Project Details

1. **Project title:** Tabletop Trainers (IGT, TGT, and TFT)

2. **Organization name and address** (the recipient of the funds):
Oregon National Guard
1776 Militia Way
Salem, OR 97309

3. **Contact information**
 - a. **Project's primary contact:** Brigadier General Mike Caldwell
 - b. **Daytime telephone number/ mobile phone number:** (503)584-3985
 - c. **Email Address:** mike.caldwell@mil.state.or.us
 - d. **Project location** (if different than organization's address): Various

4. **Please describe the requesting organization's main activities.**
The OR Air National Guard is vital to national defense and homeland security.

5. **Is this organization a public, private non-profit, or private for-profit entity?**
Public

6. **From what federal agency and account are you requesting funds (Please be specific –e.g., Department of Housing and Urban Development, Economic Development Initiatives account)?**

OPA3 Line 177 - Training Devices, Nonsystem

7. Briefly describe the activity or project for which funding is requested (no more than 500 words).

FY11 funding for Individual Gunnery Trainers (IGT), Tabletop Gunnery Trainers (TGT), and Tabletop Full-fidelity Trainers (TFT) is the Army National Guard's # 1 priority for tabletop trainer procurement. The Tabletop Trainer Program provides on-site individual, convoy, and crew gunnery training for soldiers who are deployed worldwide. Individual, convoy and crew training is provided for crewmembers of Up-Armored HMMWVs, Tactical Trucks, Abrams Tanks, and Bradley Fighting Vehicles and individual training for .50 Cal machinegunners. Without this program, our soldiers will not have required trainers that are needed at worldwide locations for training individual gunnery, crew gunnery, counter-IED training, and convoy duties for HMMWVs, Tactical Trucks, Abrams Tanks, and Bradley Fighting Vehicles.

8. What is the purpose of the project? Why is it a valuable use of taxpayer funds? How will the project support efforts to improve the economy and create jobs in Oregon?

For several years the Oregon National Guard has been deploying units and individual Soldiers to numerous world-wide locations for combat and security missions. This pattern of deployments seems likely to continue into the future, and when our Soldiers are deployed to these distant locations they require continuous training to maintain proficiency in war-fighting skills that are not drilled and practiced in the Current Operating Environment. These small tabletop trainers provide one of the only means for these Soldiers to maintain required combat skills.

9. Has this project received federal appropriations funding in past fiscal years?

Yes

9a. If yes, please provide the fiscal year, Department, Account, and funding amount of any previous funding.

Congressional Funding History: **FY 2010** - \$1.6 Million, **FY 2009** - No Funds, **FY 2008** - \$8 Million, **FY 2007** - \$6.3 Million, **FY 2006** - \$2.6 Million

Funding Details

10. Amount requested for this project: \$1 Million

11. Breakdown/budget of the amount you are requesting for this project (e.g., salary \$40,000; computer \$3,000):

\$1 Million is needed for the procurement of Tabletop Trainers (IGT, TGT, TFT) for the Oregon National Guard.

12. What is the total cost of the project? \$1 Million

13. Is this project scalable (i.e., If partial funding is awarded, will the organization still be able to use the funds in FY 2011?)? Yes

14. What other funding sources (local, regional, state) are contributing to this project or activity? (Please be specific about funding sources and funding amounts)

None

15. Please list public or private organizations that have supported/endorsed this project.

None

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